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January 30, 2017

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Notice of intent to not offer Consumer Broadband Only Loop Service.

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch,

In accordance with the FCC's 2016 Rate of Return Reform Order,¹ Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, (Company) provides the FCC with the attached notice of the Company's election to not offer consumer broadband only loop service effective February 1, 2017. The Company has no current customers or demand for consumer broadband only loop service.

A copy of this notice is being sent to Oregon Public Utility Commission, the Governor of the State of Oregon, and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense.

Questions may be directed to me.

Sincerely,

Michael Whalen
Executive VP

Attachment

¹*Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities, et al.*, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20n FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. September 23, 2005), Wireline Broadband Order, FCC 16-33 (rel. Mar. 30, 2016), para. 193 (*Rate of Return Reform Order*).

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative
Study Area Code 532393
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The Federal Communications Commission in its March 30, 2016 Rate of Return Reform Order established revised cost allocation procedures to provide support for broadband-capable network loop costs. Therein, the Consumer Broadband Only Loop (CBOL) rate was established as means of recovering a portion of the loop costs associated with providing broadband only service. The Federal Communications Commission afforded carriers the option of tariffing the rate in their interstate common line tariff, or to offer the service on a permissively detariffed basis.

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative provides this notice of its intent to not offer the Consumer Broadband Only Loop service effective February 1, 2017. Pioneer filed in the NECA tariff based on the belief that CBOL was a required offering for Lifeline service. In Notice DA 17-29 the FCC stated that ETC's were not required to create this offering as a result of the 2016 Lifeline Modernization Order. Therefore, Pioneer Telephone Cooperative is withdrawing this offering from the NECA tariff.

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative currently has no customers or demand for Consumer Broadband Only Loop service.

Cc: Oregon Public Utility Commission
Governor of the State of Oregon
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense